

RESOURCE MANAGE INT STAFF

12 June 1979

NOTE FOR: D/DCI/RM

FROM: D/PBO

SUBJECT: Your 1600 meeting with Frederick  
Baron re FBI/DCI MOU

John:

Attached, for your review, are four items:

- a. The original MOU proposed by the Attorney General.
- b. The DCI's counterproposal.
- c. A compromise with a revised first paragraph, which I am recommending that you agree to and which Jim Hoobler is recommending Frederick Baron agree to.
- d. A draft of the Attorney General's forwarding memorandum which Justice will use assuming we can agree on the MOU.

cc: EA/RM

PBO

ACTION

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
AND THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
PERTAINING TO THE EXCHANGE OF  
NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM INFORMATION

The following understanding has been reached by Attorney General Griffin B. Bell and Admiral Stansfield Turner, Director of Central Intelligence, concerning the exchange of National Foreign Intelligence Program (NFIP) information between the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Intelligence Community Staff (ICS).

1. All information involving NFIP policy, program planning and budget matters transmitted from the ICS to the FBI, and from the FBI to the ICS, will go through the Attorney General. This includes ICS levied intelligence requirements, collection guidance and tasking, finished intelligence production requirements, and FBI finished intelligence products related to the FBI's positive intelligence and counterintelligence missions.
2. On matters of a routine or operational nature, the ICS will have direct access to FBI program managers who have responsibility for the FBI Foreign Counterintelligence program. Further, sensitive data of a routine or operational nature will be transmitted directly from the ICS to the FBI, and from the FBI to the ICS, with only a copy of a covering memorandum to be sent to the Attorney General. It will not be necessary to seek Department of Justice approval for meetings between the FBI and the ICS.

*Griffin B. Bell*

Attorney General  
Department of Justice

Date *July 8, 1978*

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Director of Central  
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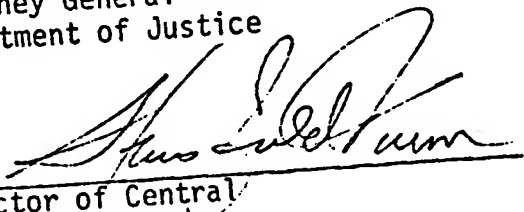
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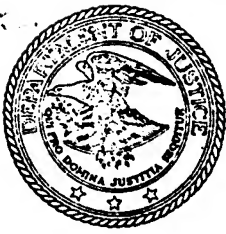
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Office of the Attorney General  
Washington, D. C. 20530

MEMORANDUM TO: Admiral Stansfield Turner  
Director of Central Intelligence

RE: Federal Bureau of Investigation Participation  
in the National Foreign Intelligence Program

I am transmitting for your signature the enclosed document which establishes procedures for the exchange of information between the FBI and the Intelligence Community Staff (ICS).

This is a revised version of the memorandum of understanding which you had proposed on August 15, 1978. The amendments to sentence 1 of paragraph 1 should provide the Attorney General with the necessary means to meet his responsibilities in relation to the role of the FBI in the NFIP.

As the amended paragraph indicates, I have agreed to the exchange of NFIP information between the FBI and the ICS with simultaneous transmittal to my office, in lieu of prior review of such information. However, it is my understanding and expectation, based upon discussions between [redacted] and my staff, that information provided to the ICS by the FBI will not be disseminated outside the ICS without Department concurrence. This procedure will ensure that I will have proper policy and management control over budget decisions affecting the FBI's intelligence activities.

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Griffin B. Bell  
Attorney General

cc: William H. Webster, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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